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# H. R. 1762

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 10, 1955

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- 7 Oklahoma, containing approximately 0.94 acre, more or
- 8 less and more particularly described as follows:
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- 10 west of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of
- 11 section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west and running

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By Mr. Belcher

JANUARY 10, 1955
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84TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# S. 998

#### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

**FEBRUARY 8, 1955** 

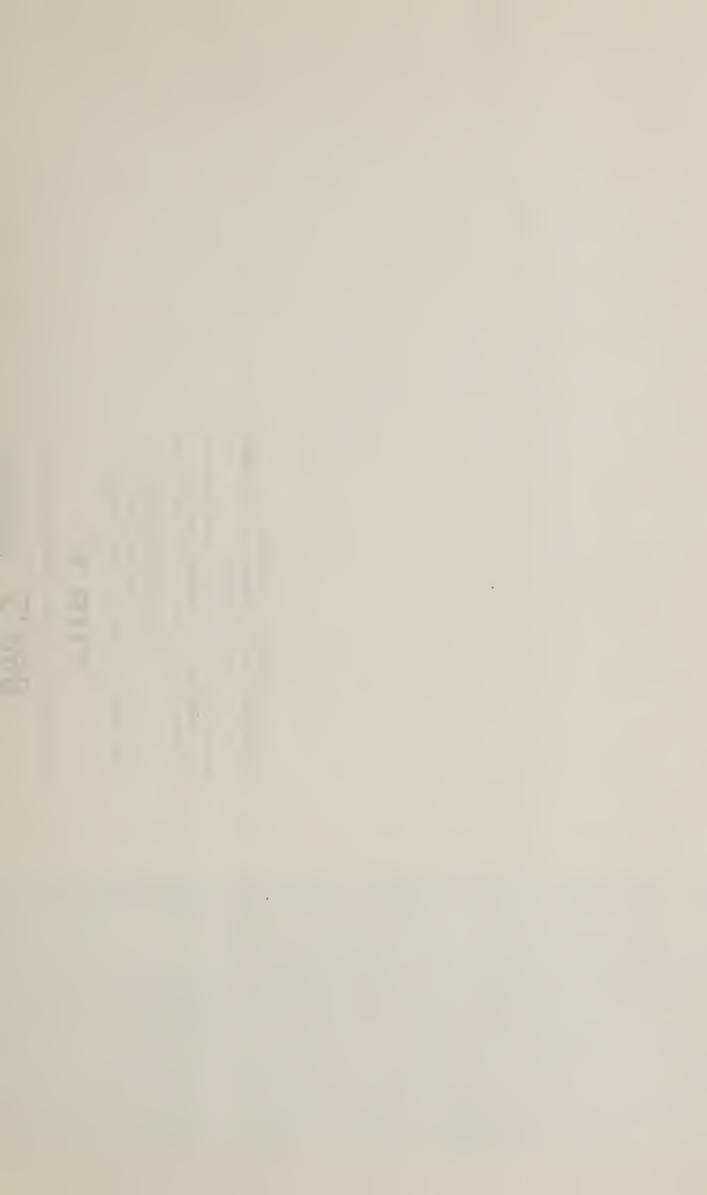
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- 7 Woodward, Oklahoma, pay into the Treasury of the United
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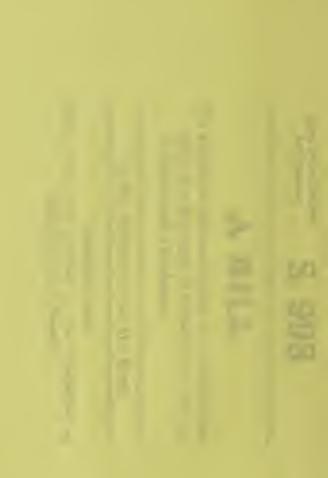
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By Mr. Monroney and Mr. Kerr

February 8, 1955

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# Digest of Congressional Proceedings

#### OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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HIGHLIGHTS: Both Houses agreed to conference report on 2nd supplemental appropriation bill. Both Houses received President's foreign aid message. Senate passed Colorado reclamation bill. Senate committee reported bills to: amend rice-quota provisions, authorize sale of forest tracts, continue livestock-loans program, repeal REA State formula, repeal tid-in of ACP with acreage allotments, provide additional acreage allotments for freeze areas, etc. Senate committee ordered reported measure directing USDA to study burley tobacco problem. House passed postal pay raise bill. Rep. Moulder urged investigation of Mo. Agricultural Stabilization Committee's methods. Sens. Carlson and Morse introduced and discussed bills to provide two-price wheat plan. Sens. Johnston and Thurmond introduced, and Sen. Thurmond discussed, bills to limit interest on certain farm loans to 3%. Rep. Gathings commended Secretary's handling of Japanese rice negotiations.

#### SENATE

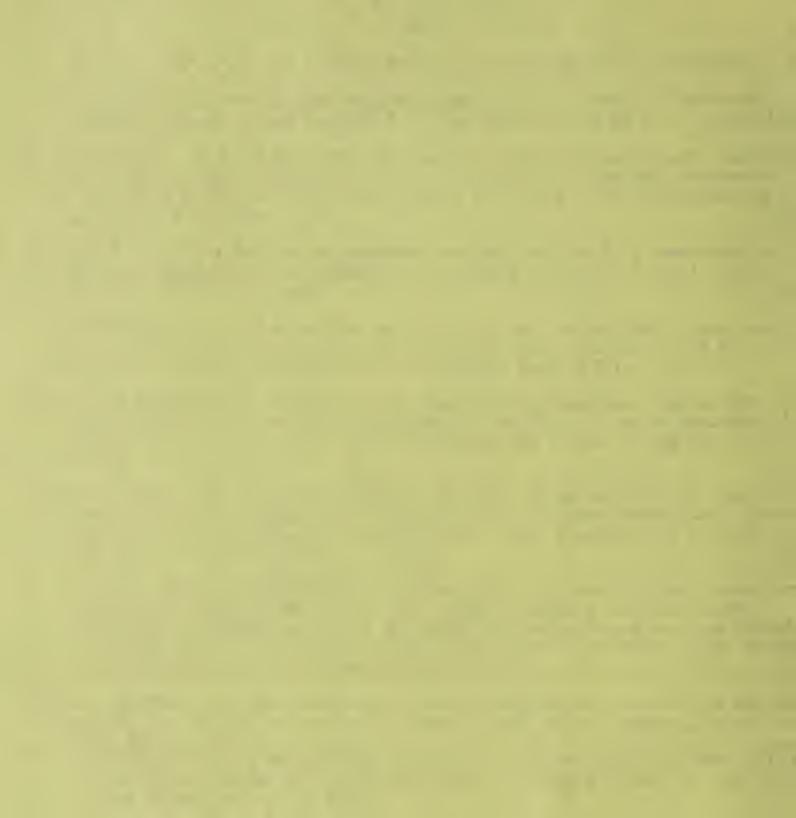
- 1. SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1955. Both Houses agreed to the conference report on this bill, H. R. 4903, and acted on amendments which had been reported in disagreement (pp. 4079-80, 4082-4). The House concurred in the Senate amendment regarding the wind erosion control item. For other items of interest to this Department, see Digest 64. This bill will now be sent to the President.
- 2. FOREIGN AID. Both Houses received the President's message recommending continuation of the Mutual Security Program under an International Cooperation Administration in the State Department; to Senate Foreign Relations Committee and House Foreign Affairs Committee (H. Doc. 144)(pp. 4080, 4084-6).
- 3. RECLAMATION. Passed, 58-23, with amendments S. 500, to authorize the Colorado River storage project (pp. 4048-73).
- 4. LOYALTY DAY. Passed without amendment H. J. Res. 184, to designate May 1, 1955,

- as Loyalty Day (p. 4073). This measure will now be sent to the President.
- 5. TRADE AGREEMENTS. The Finance Committee made additional tentative decirions regarding various provisions of H. R. l, the trade agreements bill (p. D311).
- 6. RICE QUOTAS. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendment H. R. 2839 (S. Rept. 213) and H. R. 4356 (S. Rept. 214), and with amendments H. R. 4647 (S. Rept. 211), to amend various provisions of the rice marketing quota laws (p. 4031).
- FORESTRY. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported with amendments S. 1079, to authorize sale of isolated or protruding tracts of national forest land (S. Rept. 207)(p. 4031).
- 8. LIVESTOCK LOANS. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendment S. 1372, to amend the act of April 6, 1949, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen (S. Rept. 208)(p. 4031).
- 9. RURAL ELECTRIFICATION. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported with amendment S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act so as to eliminate the requirement that not more than 10% of the loans may be made in any one State (S. Rept. 209)(p. 4031).
- 10. SOIL CONSERVATION; ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendment H. R. 1573, to repeal the requirement that farmers must comply with acreage allotments on basic crops in order to be eligible for ACP payments (S. Rept. 210).
- 11. ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS; FARM RELIEF. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported with amendments S. 1628, to provide relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by drought, flood, hail, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or other natural causes (S. Rept. 206)(p. 4031).
- 12. LAND TRANSFER. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendmer's. 998, to authorize conveyance of a tract of ARS land to Woodward, Okla. (S. Rept. 212)(p. 4031).

The Agriculture and Forestry Committee ordered reported H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain former FHA land located at Kern County, Calif. (p. D310):

- 13. TOBACCO. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee ordered reported S. J. Res. 60, directing the Secretary of Agriculture to make a study and report regarding burley tohacco marketing controls (p. D310).
- 14. AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION COMMITTEE. Received a Mo. State legislature resolution requesting the USDA to investigate the activities of the Mo. State ASC committee in the dismissals of duly elected local committeemen, the suspension of the William Young McCaskill and Smith Feed Co. as certified drought feed dealers, etc. (pp. 4029-30).
- 15. ELECTRIFICATION. Sen. Neuberger spoke in favor of increased appropriations for the John Day Dam, Columbia River, and inserted an Oregonian editorial on this subject (p. 4080).

Talesfor No. 211



## CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO THE CITY OF WOODWARD, OKLA.

APRIL 20 (legislative day, APRIL 18), 1955.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. Ellender, from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, submitted the following

#### REPORT

[To accompany S. 998]

The Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, to whom was referred the bill (S. 998) to authorize the conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla., having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it do pass without amendment.

S. 998 provides for the conveyance of approximately an acre of the United States Southern Great Plains Field Station to the city of Woodward, Okla., upon payment of 50 percent of the appraised fair market value as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. The tract is unusable for experimental purposes and is needed by the city of Woodward for the purpose of erecting a water storage tank.

A report from the Department of Agriculture recommending enact-

ment of the bill is attached.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Washington 25, D. C., March 21, 1955.

Hon. Allen J. Ellender,

Committee on Agricu'ture and Forestry,

United States Senate.

DEAR SENATOR ELLENDER: This is in reply to your request of February 9, 1955, for a report on S. 998, a bill to authorize the confeyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla.

The Department recommends enactment of S. 998.

The bill directs the conveyance of 0.94 of an acre more or less of the United States Southern Great Plains Field Station, located at Woodward, Okla., to the city of Woodward upon payment of 50 percent of the appraised fair market value as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. It also provides that the conveyance shall be subject to such other conditions, limitations, or reversations as the said Secretary may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

#### 2 CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO THE CITY OF WOODWARD, OKLA.

The land proposed to be conveyed to the city of Woodward, Okla., is located on a high ridge at the north end of the field station and west of the city. It is part of a 480-acre tract purchased in 1938 at a cost of \$14,000. Prior to acquisition by the Government this section of land to be conveyed was the exact site of a farmstead. Haystacks, corrals, and building foundations disturbed the character of the soil so as to make it unusable for experimental purposes. Therefore, the sale of this land to the city of Woodward for the purpose of erecting a water storage tank in connection with expanding their waterworks system would not adversely affect operation of the station.

The Bureau of the Budget advises that there is no objection to the submission

of this report.

Sincerely yours,

TRUE D. Morse, Acting Secretary.

84TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# S. 998

[Report No. 212]

#### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 8, 1955

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April 20 (legislative day, April 18), 1955 Reported by Mr. Ellender, without amendment

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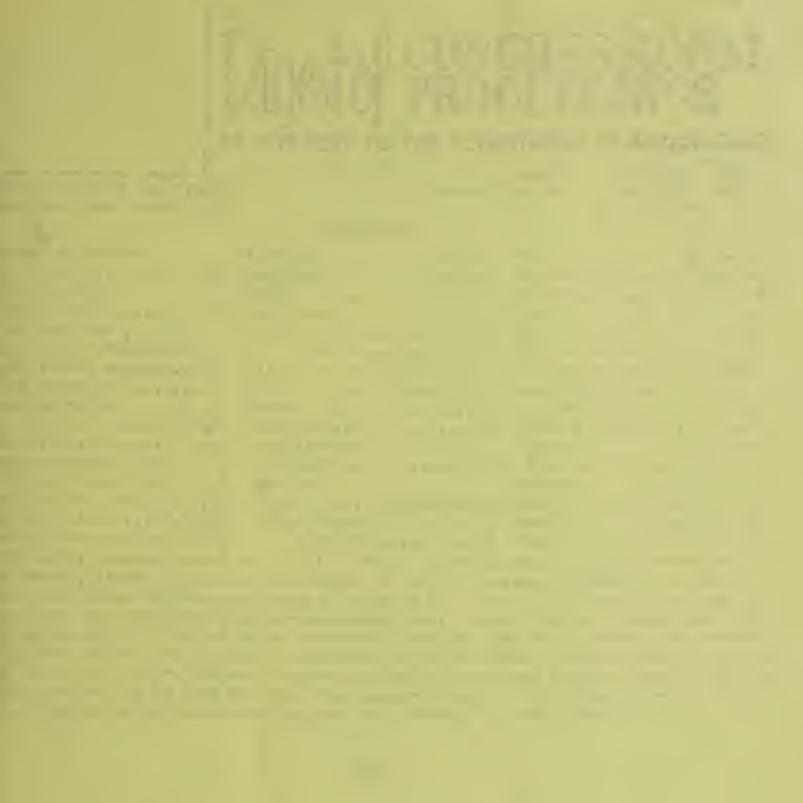
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HIGHLIGHTS; Senate passed bills to: Provide for reapportionment of surrendered rice allotments, divide joint rice allotments on basis of acreage, increase rice allotments, authorize additional acreage allotments for freeze areas, etc., continue livestock-loans authority, authorize sale of small forest tracts. Senate made USDA appropriation bill its unfinished business. Senate committee reported measure for USDA study of tobacco quotas. Both Houses received Hoover Commission report on food and clothing. Several Representatives criticized increased interest rate on disaster loans and decline in farm prices. Sen. Humphrey urged conservation acreage reserve. en. Humphrey urged land-reform support and referred to Ladejinsky.

#### SENATE

- 1. ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS. Passed as reported S, 1628, to authorize the Department, until June 1, 1958, to make available additional acreage allotments to farmers whose crops are destroyed or severely damaged by freeze, drought, or other natural cause (pp. 4240, 4242-3).
- 2. LIVESTOCK LOANS. Passed without amendment S. 1372, to extend for two additional years the authority of the Department to provide emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen under the act of April 6, 1949 (pp. 4240-2).
- 3. FORESTRY. Passed with amendment S. 1079, which, as amended, provides "That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to sell at not less than the appraised value, and under such terms and conditions as he deems appropriate, lands in the national forests which are isolated parcels or narrow projecting strips, when he finds such lands suitable for private convership and better adapted to commercial, agricultural, residential, or other private purposes than to national forest purposes" (pp. 4240, 4244-5).

4. RICE ALLOTMENTS. Passed without amendment H. R. 2839, providing for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees (p. 4241). This bill will now be sent to the President.

Passed without amendment H. R. 4356, to provide that joint acreage allotments of rice be divided on the basis of acreage planted by each participant instead of on the basis of each participant's share of the crop (p. 4241).

This bill will now be sent to the President.

Passed as reported H. R. 4647, which would increase each 1955 State rice acreage allotment by 2%, provide each State with a 1955 rice allotment at least equal to its 1950 allotment, provide each county whose base acreage for 1955 exceeded by at least 2% its base acreage for 1950 with a 1955 rice allotment at least equal to its 1950 allotment, and increase each State reserve for new producers and new farms to a minimum of 500 acres (pp. 4241, 4243-4). As passed by the House, the bill would have increased rice allotments by 5%.

- 5. LAND TRANSFERS. Passed without amendment S. 998, directing the Department to sell a tract of ARS land to Woodward, Okla., for 50% of its value (p. 4241).

  The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendment H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights to certain former FHA land to the Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif. (S. Rept. 223) (p. 4215).
- 6. TOBACCO. The Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported without amendment S. J. Res. 60, directing the Secretary of Agriculture, not later than July 1, 1955, to submit to Congress a report on the feasibility, cost, etc., of various types of burley tobacco controls (S. Rept. 224)(p. 4215).
- 7. PERSONNEL. The Post Office and Civil Service Committee reported without amendment S. 1094, to remove the limitation on the amount of appropriations which may be used by Federal agencies for <u>uniform allowances</u> (S. Rept. 222)(p. 4215).

  Agreed to, as reported, S. Res. 33, to direct the Committee to investigate administration of the civil—service system by the Civil Service Commission and other Government agencies (p. 4232).
- 8. ACRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1956, H. R. 5239, was made the unfinished business (p. 4239). Sen. Williams submitted an amendment which he intends to propose to this bill (p. 4225).
- 9. REORGANIZATION; MANAGEMENT. The Government Operations Committee reported without amendment S. 1763, to continue the Hoover Commission from May 31 through June 30, 1955, for liquidation purposes (S. Rept. 217)(p. 4215).

Received the annual report of the Government Operations Committee on its

investigations (S. Rept. 231)(p. 4216).

Both Houses received the Hoover Commission report on "food and clothing in the Government" (H. Doc. 146); to Government Operations Committees (pp. 4204, 4207). This report will not be available from the Legislative Reporting Staff except for an emergency need. Pursuant to a special arrangement, each agency of the Department is ordering its own supply of the report directly from GPO.

10. SOIL CONSERVATION; ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS. Discussed and, at the request of Sen. Bible, passed over H. R. 1573, to repeal the provision prohibiting ACP payments to persons who do not adhere to acreage allotments on basic crops. Sen. Johnson indicated that this bill will soon be brought up for separate consideration, and Sen. Holland said he had no objection to such procedure but did not believe the bill should be considered on the calendar. (pp. 4241, 4244.)

84TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

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- 12 reservations as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect
- 13 the interests of the United States.

Passed the Senate April 25, 1955.

Attest:

FELTON M. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.



# AN ACT

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Referred to the Committee on Agriculture APRIL 26, 1955 of supplementary advances on loans at the time the extended period expires.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Would it be agreeable to the minority calendar committee if at the conclusion of the calendar call this bill be considered by the Senate.

Mr. HRUSKA. I have no objection to

Mr. PURTELL I have no objection. Mr. ELLENDER I do not believe that there will be any objection to placing in the bill a time limitation of the kind the Senator from Nebraska has reference to.

Mr. HRUSKA. A 2-year limitation

would be agreeable to us.

Mr. ELLENDER. I ask unanimous consent, Mr. President, that the bill be placed at the foot of the calendar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the request of the Senator from Louisiana, that the bill be placed at the foot of the calendar?

Mr. PURTELL. We have no objection. The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the bill will be placed at the foot of the calendar.

#### AMENDMENT OF RICE MARKET-ING QUOTA PROVISIONS-BILL PLACED AT FOOT OF CALENDAR

The bill (H. R. 4647) to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, was announced as next in order.

Mr. PURTELL. Mr. President, I believe this bill involves a new policy, and therefore I object to the bill being considered at this time. I believe it should be debated on the floor.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Would it be agreeable to the Senator if I moved to take it up at the conclusion of the call of the calendar?

Mr. PURTELL. I would have no ob-

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be placed at the foot of the calendar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN LAND IN OKLAHOMA TO THE CITY OF WOODWARD, OKLA.

The bill (S. 998) to authorize the conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla., was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Woodward, Okla., all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the following-described land situated in Woodward County, Okla .:

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21 west, Indian meridian, and including an area of 0.940 acre more or less.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this act shall be made subject to (a) the condition that the city of Woodward, Okla., pay into the Treasury of the United States, in return for the land conveyed, an amount equal to 50 percent of the fair market value of such land to be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture after appraisal of such land, and (b) such other conditions, limitations, or reservations as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

#### AMENDMENT OF RICE QUOTA MAR-KETING PROVISIONS

The bill (H. R. 2839) to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and

#### RICE ALLOTMENT HISTORY

The bill (H. R. 4356) to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to rice allotment history was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

#### AMENDMENT OF RURAL FLECTRI-FICATION ACT OF 1936—BILL PASSED OVER

The bill (S. 153) to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 was announced as next in order.

Mr. BIBLE. Mr President, I ask that

the bill be passed over.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be passed over.

REPEAL OF SECTION 348 OF THE ADJUSTMENT AGRICULTURAL ACT ØF 1938—BILL PASSED OVER

The bill (H. R. 1573) to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 was announced as next in order. Mr. BIBLE. Mr. President, I ask that the bill be passed over.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be passed over.

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. Mr. President, I ask that after the call of the calendar, H. R. 1573 be considered by the Senate.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, the Senator from South Carolina and several other Senators are very much interested in this proposed legislation, but we are not in position to debate it today. I gave Senators assurance that if it were objected to today on the call of the calendar it would be taken up at an early date.

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. Mr. President, if it is to be passed, it will have to be passed within the next few days in order to relieve the situation of the farmers.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. I assure the Senator from South Carolina that I shall be glad to talk to him about a convenient date when the measure can be considered by the Senate.

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. I thank the Senator from Texas.

OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT TIN SMELTERS AT TEXAS CITY, TEX.

The concurrent resolution (S/Con. Res. 26) providing for the continued operation of the Government tip smelters at Texas City, Tex., was considered and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate the House of Representatives concurring, That it is the sense of Congress that, pursuant to the provisions and authority of Public Law 125, 80th Congress, as amended, the Government tin smelter at Texas City, Tex., shall be continued in operation until June 30, 1956, and so long thereafter as may be hereafter outher

orized by the Congress.

SEC. 2. The President is hereby requested to have conducted a study and investigation for the purpose of recommending the most feasible methods of maintaining a permanent domestic tin-smelting industry in the United States; and, in connection with such study and investigation, the Federal Facilities Corporation, or any other designee of the President, is requested to show the plant and facilities to any interested persons and to provide them with all necessary and appropriate information within the limits of security considerations upon which to base appraisals and to formulate proposals to the Government for the future operation of the smelter by the Government or under private lease or ownership arrangements.

SEC. 3. The President is requested to report

to the Congress prior to March 31, 1956, the findings of this study and his recommendations with respect to the future operation

of the tin smelter.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to insert in the body of the Record a brief statement prepared by me concerning Senate Concurrent Resolution 26.

There being no objection, the statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

STATEMENT BY SENATOR JOHNSON OF TEXAS I strongly urge passage of Senate Concur-

rent Resolution 26.

This resolution proposes to continue operation of the Government tin smelter at Texas City, Tex., until June 30, 1956, and thereafter as authorized by Congress.

The resolution also requests the executive branch to conduct a study in order to be prepared to present to the Congress recommendations regarding the most feasible methods of maintaining a permanent domestic tin-smelting industry in the United States-whether under Government ownership or private ownership.
Unless this resolution is enacted, opera-

tion of the tin smelter will end on June 30 of this year. This, I am convinced, would

of this year. This, I am convinced, would be contrary to our national interests.

The United States is in this position: It is the largest single consumer of tin in the world; it must depend on foreign sources for virtually its entire supply of tin.

There is only one tin smelter in the Western Hemisphere—that in Texas. There is only one principal source of tin ore in the Western Hemisphere—Bolivia.

These two facts are of great significance, taken in conjunction with each other.

For the sake of our national security; as For the sake of our national security; as an aid to maintaining the free economy of the nation of Bolivia; and to lessen the risk of our being subjected to price gouging by those controlling foreign tin supplies, continued operation of the North American tin smelter using South American tin ore is escential. sential.

I urge that the Senate adopt the resolution approved by the Committees on Armed Services and Banking and Currency.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That completes the regular call of the calen-The bill passed to the foot of the calendar will be stated.

#### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO FARMERS AND STOCKMEN

The bill (S. 1372) to amend the act of April 6, 1949, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and and stockmen was announced as next in order.

some remarks to make which are not related to the bill.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas Mr. Presi-ent, I ask the Senator from Michigan if he will withhold his remarks. There are only two more bills remaining on the calendar.

Mr. POTTER. Mr. President, I shall

be happy to do so.

Mr. HRUSKA. Mr. President, with reference to Senate bill 1372 there is in course of preparation language which will permit of the imposition of a time limitation with reference to supplementary loans.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1372) to amend the act of April 6, 1949, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I of-fer the amendment which I send to the desk and ask to have stated.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment offered by the Senator from Louisiana.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 1, line 10, it is proposed to strike out the first period and insert a comma, and the following: "but no such loans shall be made in any event after July 14, 1959."

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That section 2 (c) of the act of April 6, 1949, as amended, is further amended by striking the word "two" from the first sentence of said subsection and inserting the word "four" and by adding after the first sentence of the said subsection the following new sentence: "After the expiration of the period specified herein, such loans may be made only for supplementary advances to producers indebted for loans made under this subsection, but no such loans shall be made in any event after July 14, 1959."

#### RELIEF FOR FARMERS AND FARM WORKERS

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the unfinished business be temporarily laid aside, and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of order No. 210, Senate bill 1628, to provide relief for farmers and farm workers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by drought, flood, hail, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or other natural causes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1628)

which had been reported from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry with amendments.

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. President, I understand the committee amendments have been agreed to. The bill vests the Secretary of Agriculture with power to proceed in cases of disaster such as are outlined in the bill. There is nothing compulsory on the Secretary. Being wholly a discretionary measure, I hope there will be no objection to it.

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. Mr. POTTER. Mr. President, I have Mr. President, this bill would provide relief to producers in areas suffering natural disasters by permitting the Secretary of Agriculture to allot them additional acreage for the production of commodities subject to production controls. The disaster which gave rise to this bill was the freeze which occurred in many States in late March. Producers, farm workers, and others in these areas will suffer severe hardship if substitute crops cannot be planted. In many cases the planting of substitute crops is prevented by acreage allotments, and this bill would provide a measure of relief in those cases.

The committee amendments, first, make it entirely discretionary with the Secretary as to the amount of relief, if any, to be accorded to any and all producers; and, second, strike out a provision requiring additional allotments to provide all faimers with a livelihood.

The additional acreage allotted under the bill for any crop for any year would be limited to the smaller of first, 500,000 acres or second, 3 percent of the national allotment for such crop.

Mr. AIKEN. Mr. President, will the Senator from South Cardlina yield?

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. I yield.

Mr. AIKEN. May I ask the Senator from South Carolina if the bill as reported from the committee is agreeable

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. All of the amendments have been adopted, and the matter is left discretionary with the Secretary.

Mr. AIKEN. It is discretionary, not mandatory. Is that correct?

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. That is correct.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill is open to further amendment. If there be no further amendment, the question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill (S. 1628) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc .-

#### CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

SECTION 1. The Congress hereby finds (1) that crop losses due to drought, flood, hall, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or other natural causes result in severe hardship, suffering, and economic loss, not only in the case of operators of farms but in the case of their tenants and employees as well; (2) that, by reason of acreage limitations or other production controls, farmers suffering such losses are often prevented from planting other crops to replace those lost or damaged; (3) that as a result thereof agricultural workers and other persons de-pendent on such crops for a livelihood are forced to seek other employment thus caus-

ing dislocation of populations and other trends which tend to unbalance existing ratios between rural and urban populations; (4) that the economies of the areas affected are thereby disrupted and the economy of the entire Nation adversely affected.

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

SEC. 2. It is the purpose of this act to alleviate hardship, suffering, and economic losses resulting from disastrous loss or damage to agricultural crops due to natural causes, and to prevent serious dis-location of populations, and other adverse effects on the economies of the areas affected and the Nation, by making possible the planting of additional acreage of other crops which will in part replace those destroyed or damaged and thus provide a livelihood for farm operators and workers who would otherwise be forced to seek other means of support for themselves and their families.

#### INCREASE IN ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 3. (a) Whenever the Secretary of Agriculture determines-

(1) that in any area any agricultural crop which is important to the economy of such area has been destroyed or severely damaged by drought, flood, hail, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or other natural cause: and

(2) that, except for acreage limitations other production controls, other crops could be planted to replace or supplement the crop destroyed, or damaged, the Secretary, upon application by the operator of any farm within such area, may cause to be allotted to such farm additional acreage for the planting of any such crop in such amount as the Secretary determines to be advisable to carry out the purposes of this

The aggregate of the additional acreage allotted for any crop year under this section for the planting of any agri-cultural commodity shall not exceed (1) 500,000 acres, or (2) 3 percent of the national acreage allotment for such commodity for such year, whichever is smaller.

#### ADDITIONAL ACREAGE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PURPOSE OF FUTURE ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 4. The additional acreage authorized to be allotted to farms under this act for any year shall be in addition to the county, State, and national acreage allotments for such year. Such additional acreage shall not be taken into account in establishing future State, county, and farm acreage

#### DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURAL CROP

SEC. 5. As used in this act, the term "agricultural crop" means any crop of a product of the soil, including horticultural crops.

#### TERMINATION DATE

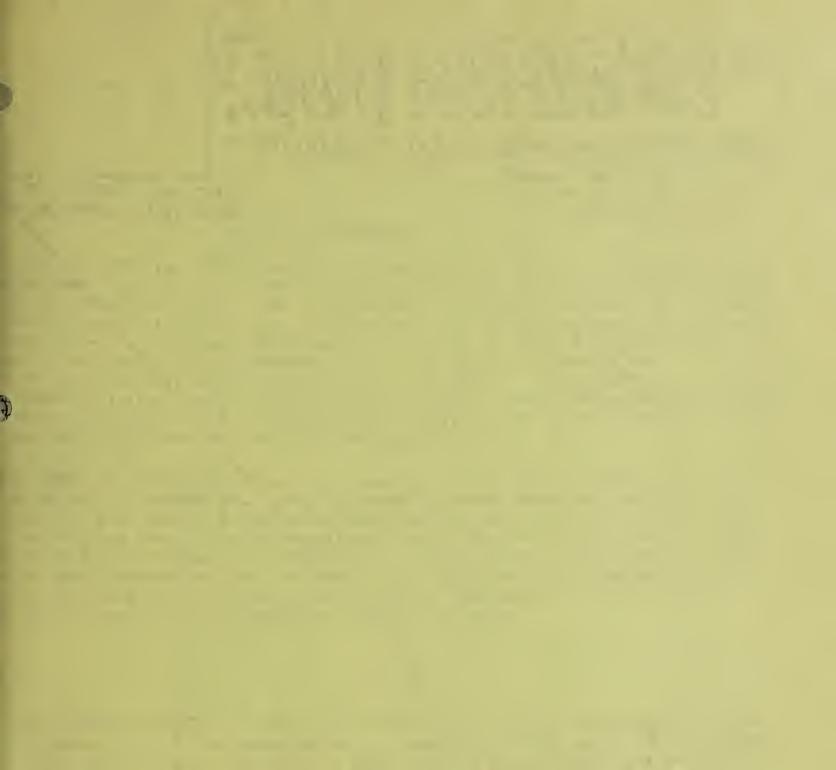
SEC. 6 This act shall cease to be in effect on June 1 1958.

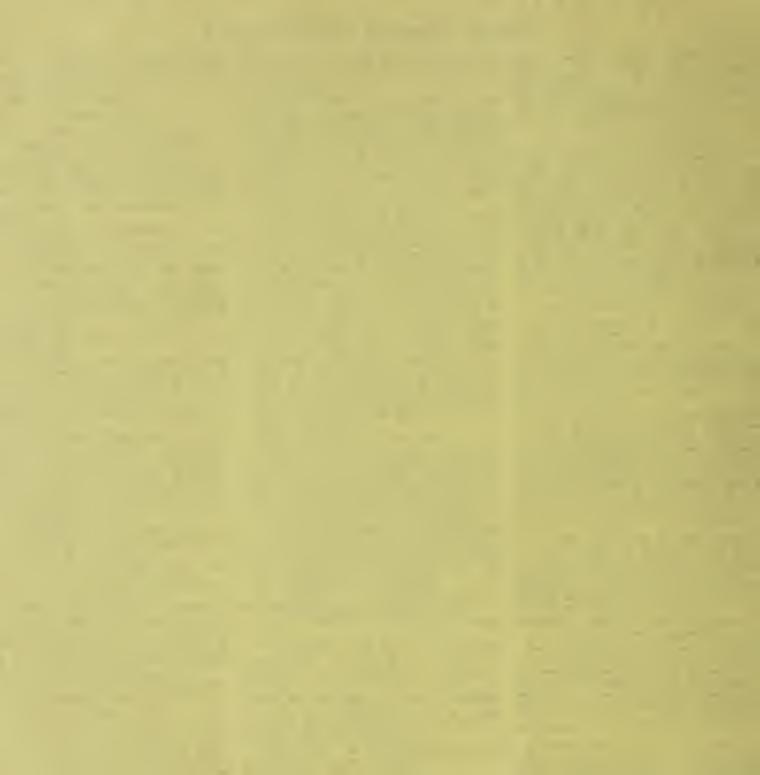
Mr. WILLIAMS subsequently said: Mr. President, earlier today the Senate passed Senate bill 1628, Calendar No. 210, a bill to provide relief of farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by drought, flood, hail, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or oher natural causes. I had filed an objection to the bill, but it was included in the cause of the control of the control of the control of the control of the cause of inadvertently overlooked Therefore, Mr. President, at this time I enter a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senate bill 1628 was passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER motion to reconsider will be entered

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, will the Senator from Delaware

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.





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#### HOUSE

- LOW-INCOME FARMERS. Received the President's message recommending a 15-point program to aid low-income farmers, transmitting a USDA report, "Development of Agriculture's Human Resources, a Report on Problems of Low-Income Farmers," and stating that proposals will be presented to Congress shortly for enabling legislation and necessary appropriations (H. Doc. 149); to Agriculture Committee (p. 4379). Reps. Hope and Siler commended the President, the Secretary and those who helped in the preparation of this report (pp. 4386-7).
- 2. PRICE SUPPORTS. The Rules Committee granted an open rule providing for 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 12, the 90-percent price support bill (p. D345). The "Daily Digest" states that action on this bill "would not be sought this week" (p. D343).
- 3. RICE ALLOTMENTS. House concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 4647, to increase rice acreage allotments (pp. 4377-9). This bill will now be sent to the President. (For provisions of this bill as passed see Digest #67).
- 4. APPLE PRICES. The McMillan subcommittee, Agriculture Committee, ordered reported H. R. 5188, to prohibit the publication by the Government of any predictions with respect to apple prices (p. D314).

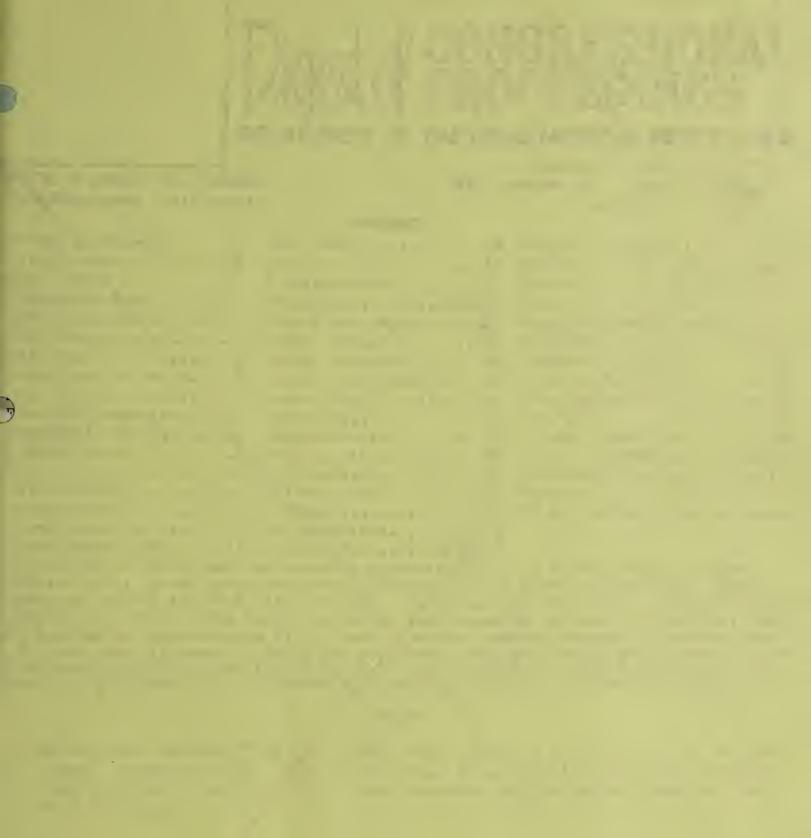
- to price supports, quality, and expanded markets at home and abroad (pp. 4405-
- LAND TRANSFER. The McMillan subcommittee, Agriculture Committee, ordered reported H. R. 1762, directing the Department to sell a tract of ARS land to loodward, Okla. (pp. D343-4).
- 7. STATEHCOD. The Rules Committee reported a resolution providing for the consideration of, 7 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 2535, the Alaska-Hawaii statehood bill (p. 4407).
- 8. MARKETING; HAWAII. Received an Hawaii Legislature memorial pequesting that Congress appropriate meneys for market-reporting and crop-estimating work in Hawaii (p. 4408).

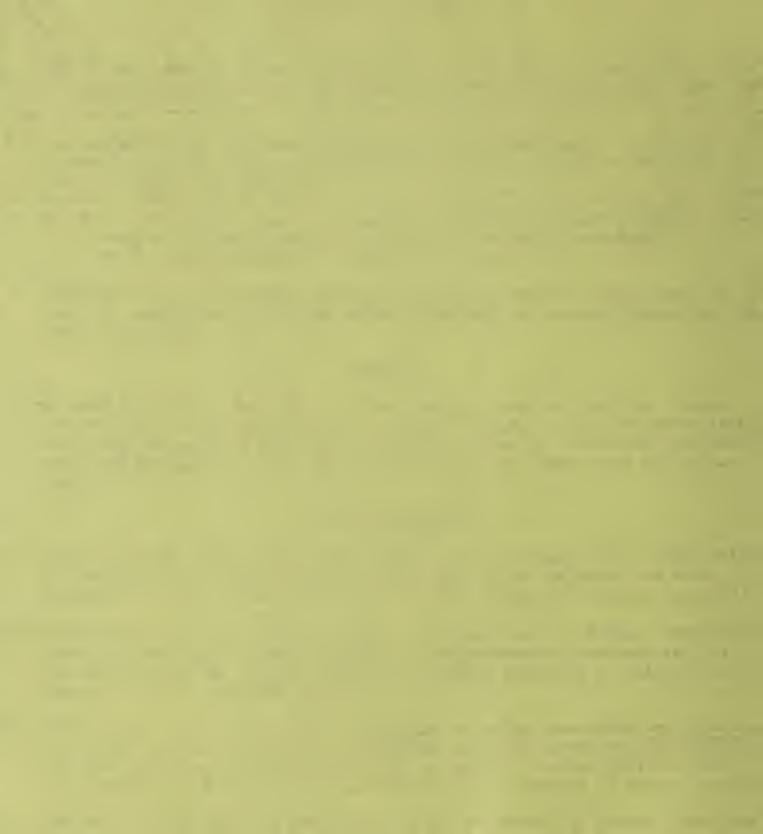
#### SENATE

9. WER-RISK\_INSURANCE. The Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee ordered reported with an amendment S. 741, to amend title XII of the Merchant Parine Act, 1936, relating to war risk insurance, in order to repeal the provision which would terminate authority to provide insurance under such title (p. D342).

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- 10. EIECTRIFICATION. H. R. 5878, by Rep. Davidson, to authorize the construction of certain works of improvement in the Wiagara River for power and other purposes; to Public Torks Committee (p. 4407). Remarks of author (p. 4380).
- 11. RECLAMATION. H. R. 5881, by Rep. Engle, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects; to Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (p. 4407).
- 12. PUBLIC WORKS. H. R. 5885, by Rep. Jennings, to offset declining employment by providing for Federal assistance to States and local governments in projects of construction, alteration, expansion, or repair of public facilities and improvements; to Public Works Committee (p. 14107). Remarks of author (pp.4397-8)
- 13. FERSONNEL. H. R. 5887, by Rep. Kelly, N. Y., to provide in certain cases that a person holding a position subject to the Classification Act of 1949 who is placed in a lower grade shall not receive less pay as a result thereof; to Post Office and Civil Service Committee (p. 4407).
  - H. R. 5899, by Rep. Davis, Ga., H. R. 5900, by Rep. Woss, H. R. 5901, by Rep. Morrison, H. R. 5932, by Rep. Rhodes, Pa., H. R. 5903, by Rep. Lesinski, Helik. 5904, by Rep. Pfost, H. R. 5905, by Rep. Fascell, H. R. 5906, by Rep. Tumulty; to increase the rates of compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government; to Post Office and Civil Service Committee (p. 4407).
- 14. FJBLIC LANDS. H. R. 5891, by Rep. Rogers, Tex., to amend the act of July 31, 1947 and the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands; to Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (p. 4407).





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#### HOUSE

- 1. AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1956. Reps. Whitten, Marshall, Deane, Natcher, Cannon, Andersen, Horan, Vyrsell, and Taber were appointed House conferees on this bill, H. R. 5239 (p. 4522). The conferees met but did not complete their work (p. D361).
- 2. SURPLUS COMMODITIES. The Agriculture Committee ordered reported (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute) H. R. 2851, providing for HEW to purchase flour and meal from USDA and dorate it to the needy (p. D359).
- 3. PERSONNEL. Passed without amendment H. R. 3948, to remove the limitation that uniform allowances may be provided only to those who were required to wear uniforms when the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act was passed in 1954 (p. 4527). This bill will now be sent to the President. Rep. Pelly spoke in favor of immediate passage of a classified pay raise

bill (p. 4525).

4. FORESTRY. Passed without amendment H. R. 2679, to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon in Coconino National Forest, Ariz. (p. 4527). A companion foill, S. 52, has been reported in the Senate.

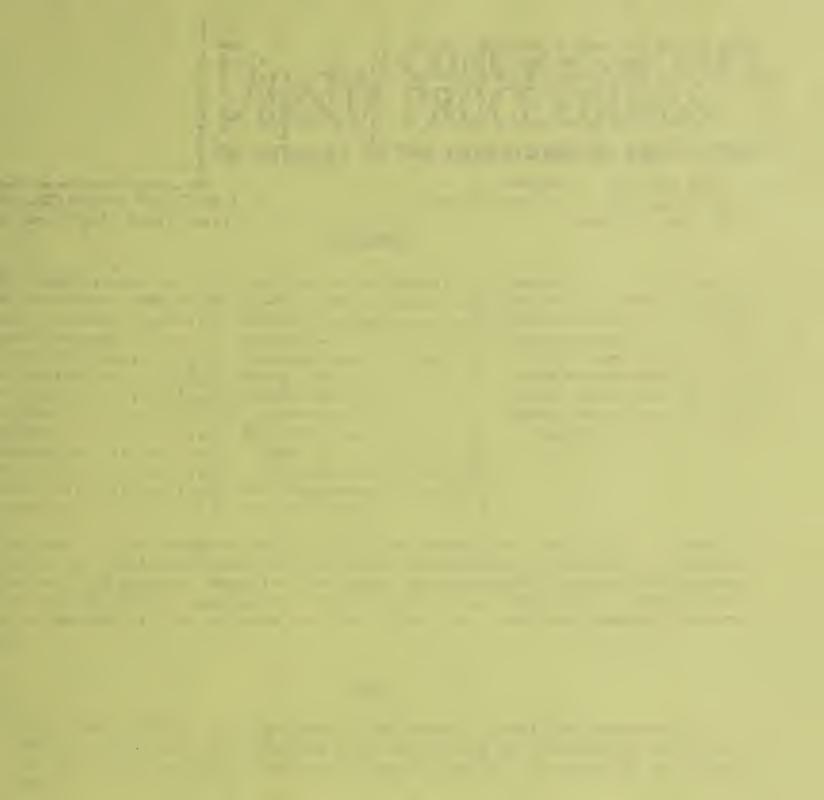
- 5. WATER RESOURCES. Passed as reported H. R. 208, contenting to a compact between Ark. and Okla. regarding Arkansas River waters (p. 4529). This bill had been reported earlier in the day with amendment (H. Rept. 463)(p. 4534).
- 6. RURAL ELECTRIFICATION; COMMODITY EXCHANGES; FARM CREDIT. On Apr. 29 the Agriculture Committee voted to report H. R. 5376, to repeal the State allotment formula for REA; H. R. 4514, to authorize subpenas under the Commodity Exchange Act; and S. 941, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation (p. D359).
- 7. LAND TRANSFER. The Agriculture Committee ordered reported H. R. 1762, to direct sale of a tract of ARS land to Woodward, Okla. (p. D359).
- 8. BANKING AND CURRENCY. Both Houses received a message from the President recommending U. S. membership in the International Finance Corporation (H. Doc. 152); to Banking and Currency Committees (pp. 4522-3, 4516).
- 9. COOPERATIVES. Rep. Mason spoke in favor of H. R. 141, to amend the Capper-Volstead Act so as to provide for antitrust actions against large farmer cooperatives under certain circumstances (p. 4533).
- 10. FHA AUDIT. Received from the Comptroller General a report on the audit of the Farmers' Home Administration; (to Government Operations Committee (p. 4534).
- 11. CHEESE. Rep. Johnson, Wis., announced that Wisconsin cheese would be served in the Capitol dining rooms (pp. 4524-5).

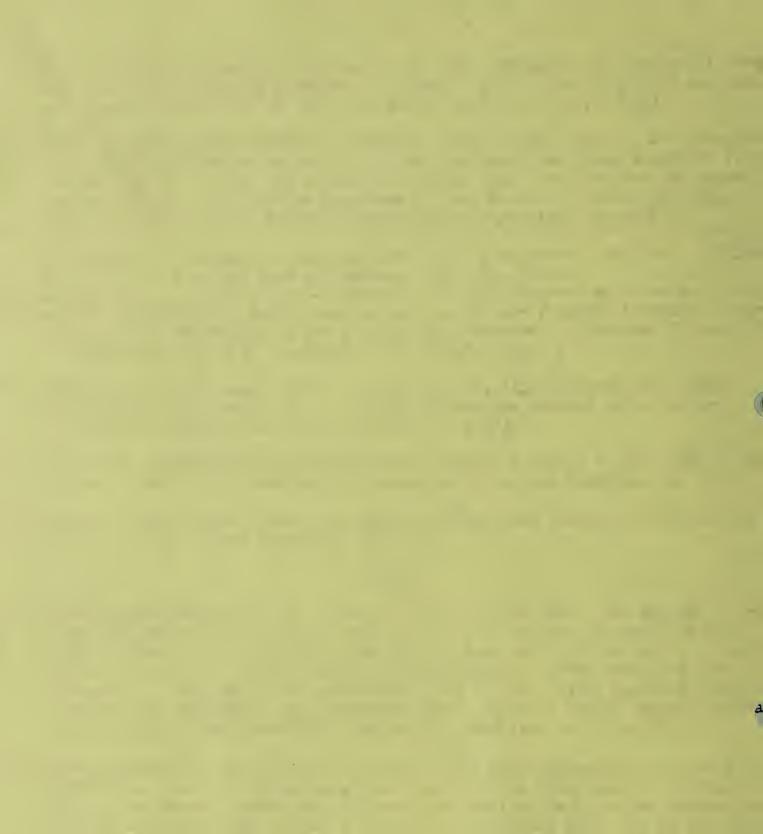
#### SENATE

- 12. INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1956. The Appropriations Committee reported with amendments this bill, H. R. 5085 (S. Rept. 261)(p. 4472). Attached is a table showing actions relating to FS and ARS. In addition, the committee added \$100,000 for weed control by the Bureau of Land Management. The bill also includes \$400,000 for salt—water research and \$390,000 for the Virgin Islands Corporation. Majority Leader Johnson indicathat the bill will probably be debated this week (pp. 4517-8, 4520).
- 13. TRADE AGREEMENTS. Began debate on H. R. 1, the trade agreements extension bill; adopted all committee amendments (See Digest 68) on bloc; agreed that the bill, as so amended, would be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment; and adopted a technical, clarifying amendment by Sen. Byrd (pp. 4489-90, 4493-4510, 4512-20).

During dobate on this bill Senators Byrd and Thye discussed the provisions to impose quotas on agricultural products under sec. 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act (pp. 4497-8), Sen. Robertson stated that the cotton-textile industry has little to fear from enactment of the bill (pp. 4506-8), and Sen. Mansfield stated that one of the most important answers to the agricultural surplus problem is an expanded foreign market (pp. 4513-6).

14. TOBACCO ALIOTMENTS; FRICE SUPPORTS. Sen. Clements stated that the results of the burley tobacco referendum demonstrate "an overwhelming acceptance by the growers of further reductions in acreage," and spoke in favor of 90% price supports on basic commodities (pp. 1483-4). Sen. Barkley commended the burley tobacco farmers on "this magnificent vote" for reduced acreage allotments (pp. 1483-14).





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#### HOUSE

- SURPLUS COMMODITIES. The Agriculture Committee reported with amendment H. R. 2851, to authorize CCC to process food commodities for donation to the needy (H. Rept. 583)(p. 5255). For provisions of this bill as reported, see Digest No. 72.
  - Reps. Murray and Mack, both of Ill., spoke against plans of the State Government to discontinue certain relief distribution of surplus foods there (pp. 5238-9).
- 2. CCC CLAIMS. Concurred in the Senate amendments to H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of fungible goods converted by warehousemen from CCC claims (p. 5195). This bill will now be sent to the President.
- 3. DEFENSE APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1956. Began debate on this bill, H. R. 6042 (pp. 5195-6, 5200-222).
- 4. RESERVE MANPOWER. Began debate on H. R. 5297, to provide for strengthening the Reserve Forces for national defense (pp. 5196-200).
- 5. RURAL ELECTRIFICATION. Several members commended the REA program on its anniversary (pp. 5223-37).
- 6. LAND TRANSFER. The Agriculture Committee reported with amendment H. R. 1762, to

sell an ARS land tract to Woodward, Okla. (H. Rept. 584)(p. 5255).

- 7. TRADE AGREEMENTS. Rep. Hand criticized the trade agreements program (pp. 5237-8).
- 8. PRICE DISCRIMINATION. Rep. Patman inserted his statement favoring the Robinson-Patman Act and additional anti-price discrimination legislation (pp. 5239-54).
- 9. LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM. Majority Whip Albert announced that the House is expected to adjourn from today until Mon. if action on the defense appropriation bill is completed. Agreed to have the consent calendar called Tues. (p. 5222.)

#### SENATE

- 10. TRAVEL EXPENSES. The Post Office and Civil Service Committee reported without emendment S. 1580, to increase the maximum per diem and subsistence allowance of Federal employees from 9 to 913 per day, and the maximum auto allowance from 7 to 10 cents per mile (S. Rept. 348) (p. 5109).
- 11. PCSTAL PAY. Agreed to the conference report on S. 1, the postal pay bill (pp. 5174-8). This bill will now be sent to the President.
- 12. PERSONNEL. Agreed to, as reported, S. Res. 33, providing for an investigation by the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, of the administration of the civil service system by the Civil Service Commission and other Government agencies (p. 5179).
- 13. SUGAR QUOTAS. Sen. Allott inserted a Denver Chamber of Commerce resolution urging immediate domestic sugar quota increases (pp. 5105-6).
- 14. FORESTRY. Sen. McNamara inserted a University of Michigan resolution requesting adequate funds for the Forest Service for the development of recreational facilities and for wildlife management on the national forests (p. 5107).
- 15. WATER POLLUTION. Sen. Humphrey inserted a Minn. Water Pollution Control Commission resolution opposing S. 890, a bill to amend and extend the later Pollution Control Act (p. 5108).
- 16. REAL PROPERTY. Sent Humphrey inserted a City Council of St. Paul, Minn., resolution recommending passage of S. 1566, proposing payments to State and local governments on Federal real property (p. 5108).
- 17. ELECTRIFICATION: WATER RESOURCES. Sen. Neuberger criticized the administration's water resource and power development policies, and inserted several newspaper articles on this subject (pp. 5143-4).

Sens. Johnson, McClellan, Fulbright, Morse, and others, commended REA on its 20th anniversary, discussed the development of the rural electrification program, and stated "it has been an institution characterized by wise management, sound business practice, and by the extension of credit at reasonable rates of interest over a long period of time" (pp. 5144-60, 5182-6).

10, RECESSED ratil Friday, May 13 (p. 5179).

#### SALE OF LAND TO THE CITY OF WOODWARD, OKLA.

May 11, 1955.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. Cooley, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following

#### REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 1762]

The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1762) to provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla., having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendments and recommend that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The amendments are as follows:

Page 1, line 4, strike out "conveyance by quitclaim deed," and

Page 1, lines 5 and 6, strike out "all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to" and insert "subject to section 2 of this act,".

Page 2, after line 5, insert the following new section:

Sec. 2. (a) The property referred to in section 1 of this act shall be sold to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, only after payment by such city of an amount equal to 50 per centum of the fair market value of such property as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture after he has caused such property to be appraised. (b) Title to the property purchased under this act shall be conveyed to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, by the Secretary of Agriculture subject to such conditions, limitations, or reservations, as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect

the interests of the United States.

#### STATEMENT

This bill, with the committee amendments, will authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell to the city of Woodward, Okla., for one-half its appraised value a tract of a little less than 1 acre of land as a site for construction by the city of a water-storage tank as part of its municipal water system.

The land in question is part of a 480-acre tract purchased by the United States in 1938 at a cost of \$14,000 and now operated as the

Southern Great Plains Experiment Station. The small tract involved in the sale authorized by this bill is located on a high ridge west of the city. It is the exact location of a former farmstead and because of the effect of building foundations, barns, and other farmstead improvements on the character of the soil, Department officials report that it is unsuitable for use as part of the general field experiment operations and therefore of no value to the United States for that

Approval of the bill with the amendments adopted by the committee is recommended by the Department of Agriculture, and the letter indicating such approval is appended hereto as a part of this

report.

March 21, 1955.

Hon. HAROLD D. COOLEY, Chairman, Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives.

Dear Congressman Cooley: This is in reply to your request of February 8, 1955, for a report on H. R. 1762, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain

lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla.

In your letter of March 12, 1955, you sent to us amendments, proposed by Representative Belcher, to provide for payment of 50 percent of the value of the property and to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make the conveyance subject to any conditions, limitations, or reservations deemed necessary in order to protect the interests of the United States.

With these amendments, the Department recommends passage of the proposed logicalities.

legislation.

The bill directs the conveyance of 0.94 of an acre, more or less, of the United States Southern Great Plains Station, located at Woodward, Okla., to the city of

Woodward.

The land to be conveyed is located on a high ridge at the north end of the field station and west of the city. It would be used by the city of Woodward to erect a water-storage tank in connection with expanding their waterworks system. Prior to acquisition by the Government, this section of land was the exact site of a farmstead. Haystacks, corrals, and building foundations disturbed the character of the soil so as to make it unusable for experimental purposes. Therefore, the conveyance of the land would not adversely affect operation of the station. The land is part of a 480-acre tract purchased in 1938 at a cost of \$14,000.

The Bureau of the Budget adviscs that there is no objection to the submission

of this report.

Sincerely yours,

TRUE D. MORSE, Acting Secretary.

## Union Calendar No. 153

84TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 1762

[Report No. 584]

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 10, 1955

Mr. Belcher introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

May 11, 1955

Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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### A BILL

To provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
- 4 to convey by quitelaim deed, sell to the city of Woodward,
- 5 Oklahoma, all of the right, title, and interest of the United
- 6 States in and to subject to section 2 of this Act that tract of
- 7 land in Woodward County, Oklahoma, containing approxi-
- 8 mately 0.94 acre, more or less and more particularly de-
- 9 scribed as follows:
- Beginning at a point 66.0 feet south and 283.0 feet

- 1 west of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of
- 2 section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west and running
- 3 thence south, 273.0 feet; thence west, 150.0 feet; thence
- 4 north, 273.0 feet; thence east, 150.0 feet, to point of begin-
- 5 ning, all lying in the northwest quarter of section 35, town-
- 6 ship 23 north, range 21 west, and including an area of 0.94
- 7 acre, more or less, in Woodward County, Oklahoma.
- 8 Sec. 2. (a) The property referred to in section 1 of
- 9 this Act shall be sold to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma,
- 10 only after payment by such city of an amount equal to 50
- 11 per centum of the fair market value of such property as de-
- 12 termined by the Secretary of Agriculture after he has caused
- 13 such property to be appraised.
- (b) Title to the property purchased under this Act shall
- 15 be conveyed to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, by the
- 16 Secretary of Agriculture subject to such conditions, limita-
- 17 tions, or reservations, as the Secretary may deem necessary
- 18 to protect the interests of the United States.



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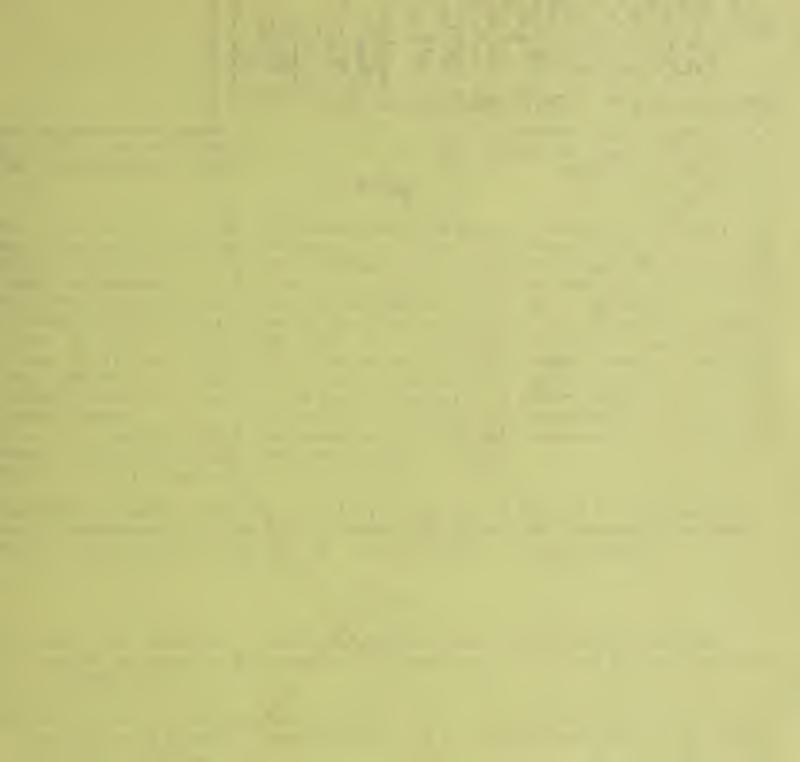
By Mr. Belcher

January 10, 1955

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture

Max 11, 1955

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OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ORFICE OF BUDGET AND FINANCE (For Department Staff Only)

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#### HOUSE

- 1. POSTAL PAY. Passed with amendments S. 2061, which would increase the basic rate of compensation for certain field employees of the Post Office Department (pp. 6614-36).
- 2. CEA, Passed without amenement S. 1398 (in lieu of H. R. 4514), to give subpena powers to the Commodity Exchange Authority (p. 6640). This bill is now ready for the President.
- 3. LANDS. Passed without amendment S. 998 (in lieu of H. R. 1762), to transfer certain ARS lands to the city of Woodward, Okla (p. 6660). This bill is now ready for the President.

Passed without amendment S. 265, to amend the acts authorizing agricultural entries under the nonmineral land lawsof certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such acts to 320 agres (p. 6645). This bill is now ready for the President.

Passed without amendment H. R. 4894, which would repeal certain obsolete laws relating to disposals of land under the timber and stone laws (p. 6645).

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs ordered re-referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands S. 1529, to extend the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park, N. Dak. (p. D518).

port by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls (p. 6642). This measure is now ready for the resident.

- 5. APPLES. Passed as reported H. R. 5188, which would prohibit publication by the USDA of any prediction with respect to apple prices (p. 6642).
- 6. WATER COMPACTS. Passed with amendments H. R. 3587, which would authorize the negotiation of a compact between Oregon and California for the use of waters of the Klamath River (p. 6649).
- 7. TRADE. The Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and the House-passed versions of H. R. l, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements (p. D519).

#### SENATE

8. HOUSING. Passed, 60 to 25, with amendments S. 2126, the housing bill (pp. 6570-85, 6588-91, 6597-6608). Adopted a Sparkman amendment authorizing the

farm housing loans to be made on an insured basis (pp. 6603-4).

Title VI of the bill provides as follows: Extends the existing program under Title V of the Housing Act of 1949 and retains the definition of a farm now included in that Act. Authorizes an additional \$100 million for farm loans authorized to be made on adequate farms, an additional \$2 million to permit the payment of annual contributions made in connection with loans on potentially adequate farms, and an additional \$10 million for special grants and loans required to make farm housing safe and sanitary. The new provisions also include a new insuring authority under title V of the Housing Act of 1949 and set the interest rate on insured loans at not to exceed 42%.

Title V of the bill authorizes NEW to undertake a research program to determine the causes and effects of air pollution, to develop devices and industrial methods for preventing and eliminating air pollution, and to provide guidance and assistance to States and local communities to prevent and control air pollution. Authorizes HEW to enter into research contracts with, or make research grants to. State and local public agencies, and educational institutions, and to enter into arrangements with industries and private organizations for cooperative studies. Authorizes Housing and Home Finance Agency to provide financial assistance to business enterprises to purchase or construct equipment to reduce the amount of air pollution in the area where the equipment is installed.

- 9. FARM LOANS. Concurred in House amendments to S. 654, providing for additional direct loans for the purchase of farms by veterans under the Veterans' Readjustment Act (pp. 6587-8). This bill will now be sent to the President.
- 10. LANDS. The Interior and Insular Affairs Committee reported without amendment S. 1878, to amend the act authorizing the conveyance of certain ARS lands to Miles City, Mont., in order to extend for 5 years the authority under such act (S. Rept. 199) (p. 6561).
- 11. LABOR STANDARDS. The Labor and Public Welfare Committee reported without amendment an original bill, S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, in order to increase the national minimum wage (S.Rept. 498) (pp. 6561, 6608).
- 12. POSTAL PAY. Concurred in House amendments to S. 2061, the postal pay bill (pp. 6585-7). This bill will now be sent to the President.
- 13. COPPER. Discussed H. R. 5695, to continue until June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper (p. 6608). This bill was made the unfinished business (p. 6611).

The committee amendment was agreed

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### LAZARA CAMARGO BERNOUDY

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2929) for the relief of Lazara Camargo Bernoudy.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Lazara Camargo Bernoudy shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee: Provided, That a sultable and proper bond or undertaking, approved by the Attorney General, be deposited as prescribed by section 213 of the said act.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### SALVACION CARBON

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 1549) for the relief of Salvacion Carbon.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Salvacion Carbon shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

With the following committee amendment:

On page 1, line 7, after the words "visa fee", change the period to a colon and insert the following: "Provided, That a suitable and proper bond or undertaking, approved by the Attorney General, be deposited as prescribed by section 213 of the said act."

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GUALBERTO ESTRALLA ALABASTRO ET AL

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 1551) for the relief of Guaberto Estralla Alabastro, Pura Zarco Alabastro, and Arlene Alabastro.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Gualberto Estralla Alabastro, Pura Zarco Alabastro, and Arlene Alabastro shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fees. Upon the granting of per-

manent residence to such aliens as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officer to deduct three numbers from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ELENA GIGLIOTTI

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 1750) for the relief of Elena Gigliotti.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Elena Gigliotti shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### MARGARETE GARTNER

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 1883) for the relief of Margarete Gartner.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

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Be it enacted, etc., That, in the administration of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Margarete Gartner, the fiance of Sfc. William M. Thompson, a citizen of the United States, shall be eligible for a visa as a non-immigrant temporary visitor for a period of 3 months: Provided, That the administrative authorities find that the said Margarete Gartner is coming to the United States with a bona fide intention of being married to the sald Sfc. William M. Thompson and that she is found admissible under the Immigration is found admissible under the Immigration and Nationality Act, other than the provisigns of section 212 (a) (9) thereof: Pro-yided further, That this exemption shall apply only to a ground for exclusion of which the Department of State or the Department of Justice had knowledge prior to the enactment of this act. In the event the marriage between the above-named persons does not occur within 3 months after the entry of the said Margarete Gartner, she shall be required to depart from the United States and upon failure to do so shall be deported in accordance with the provisions of sections 242 and 243 of the Immlgration and Nationality Act. In the event that the marriage between the above-named persons shall occur within 3 months after the entry of the said Margarete Gartner, the Attorney General is authorized and directed to record the lawful admission for permanent residence of the said Margarete Gartner as of the date of the payment by her of the required visa fee.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ALEJANDRO FLORENTINO MUNOZ

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2274) for the relief of Alejandro Florentino Munoz.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Alejandro Florentino Munoz shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### MISS ELVIRA BORTOLIN

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2724) for the relief of Miss Elvira Bortolin.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Miss Elvira Bortolin shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this Act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quotacontrol officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### OFELIA MARTIN

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2791) for the relief of Ofelia Martin.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of sections 101 (a) (27) (A) and 205 of the Immlgration and Nationality Act, the minor child, Ofelia Martin shall be held and considered to be the natural-born alien child of Sgt. and Mrs. Gentry Martin, citizens of the United States.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CARMELO RODRIGUEZ PEREZ, ALSO KNOWN AS CARMELO RODRIGUEZ FENALD

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2925) for the relief of Carmelo Rodriguez Perez, also known as Carmelo Rodriguez Fenald.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows.

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of sections 101 (a) (27) (A) and 250 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, the minor child, Carmelo Rodriguez Perez, also known as Carmelo Rodriguez Fenald, shall be held and considered to be the hatural-born alien child of Sydney Fenald, citizen of the United States.

With the following committee amendment: Page 1, line 4, strike out "250" and insert

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ASSUNTINO DEL GOBBO

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 3048) for the relief of Assuntino Del Gobbo. There being no objection, the Clerk

read the bill, as follows.

Be it enacted, etc., That, notwithstanding the provision of section 212 (a) (9) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Assuntino Del Gobbo may be admitted to the United States for permanent residence if he is found to be otherwise admissible under the provisions of that act: *Provided*, That this exemption shall apply only to a ground for exclusion of which the Department of State or the Department of Justice have knowledge prior to the enactment of this act.

With the following committee amendment:

Page 1, line 9, strike out "have" and insert "had."

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GIUSEPPA ARSENA

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 3270) for the relief of Giuseppa Arsena.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Giuseppa Arsena shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quotacontrol officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### EVELINE WENK NEAL

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 3504) for the relief of Eveline Week Neal. There being no objection, the Clerk

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Be it enacted, etc., That notwithstanding the provisions of section 212 (a) (9) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Eveline Wenk Neal may be admitted to the United States for permanent residence if she is found to be otherwise admissible under the provisions of that act: Provided, That this exemption shall apply only to a ground for exclusion of which the Department of State or the Department of Justice have knowledge prior to the enactment of this act. edge prior to the enactment of this act.

With the following committee amendment:

Page 1, line 9, strike out "have" and insert "had."

The committee amendment was agreed

to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed the third and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### LUISE ISABELLA CHU, ALSO KNOWN AS LUISE SCHNEIDER

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 3628) for the relief of Luise Isabella Chu, also known as Luise Schneider.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, eic., That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Luise Isabella Chu, also known as Luise Schneider, shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officer to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is available.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read/the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### BIRGIT CAMARA, ALSO KNOWN AS BIROUT HEINEMANN

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 3635) for the relief of Birgit Camara, also known as Birgit Heinemann.

read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc, That, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Birgit Camara, also known as Birgit Heinemann, shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the enactment of this act, upon payment of the required visa fee. Upon the granting of permanent residence to such alien as provided for in this act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper quota-control officary of delact one number from the appropriate to deduct one number from the appropriate quota for the first year that such quota is ailable.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. That completes the call of the bills on the Private Calendar.

#### SALE OF LAND TO THE CITY OF WOODWARD, OKLA.

Mr. BYRNES of Wisconsin. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to return for immediate consideration to Private Calendar No. 98 the bill (H. R. 1762) to provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla. I previously asked that this bill be passed over without prejudice. I have conferred with the author of the bill, with the leadership on the majority and the minority sides, and there is no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

Mr. BYRNES of Wisconsin. peaker, I ask unanimous consent that similar Senate bill, S. 998, be considered in lieu of the House bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentle-

man from Wisconsin?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the Senate bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Woodward, Okla., all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the following-described land situated in Wood-

ward County, Okla.:

Beginning at a point 66.0 feet south and 283.0 feet west of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian meridlan, and running thence south 273.0 feet, thence west 150.0 feet, thence north 273.0 feet, thence east 150.0 feet to the point of beginning, all lying in the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian merldian, and including an area of 0.940 acre more or less.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall be made subject to (a) the condition that the city of Woodward, Okla., pay into the Treasury of the United States, in return for the land conveyed, an amount equal to 50 percent of the fair market value of such land to be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture after appraisal of such land, and (b) such other conditions, limitations, or reservations as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

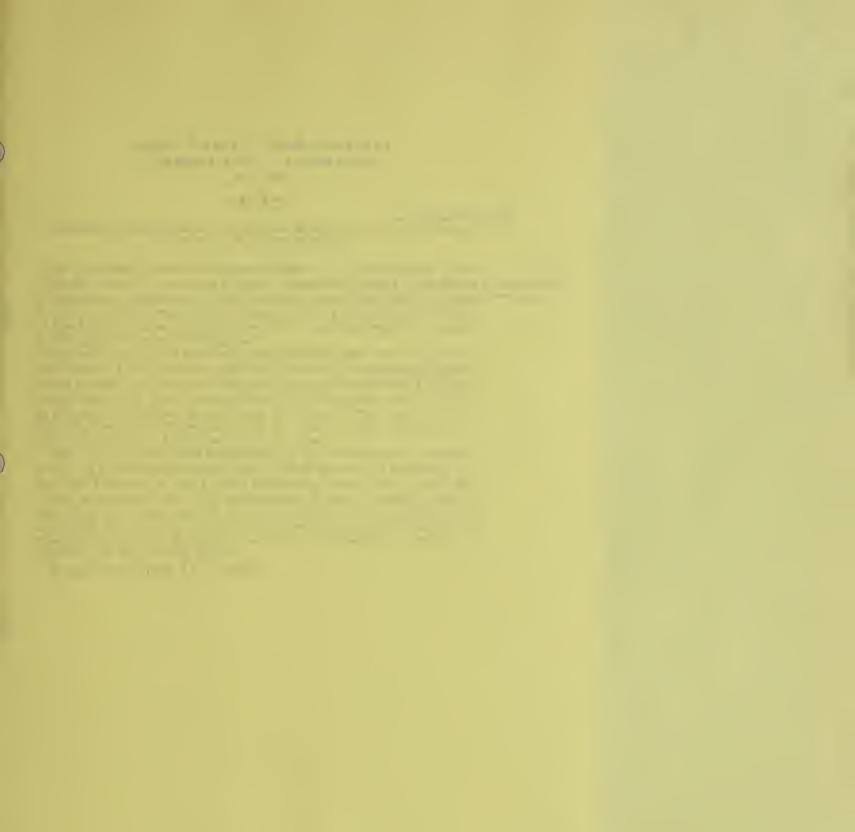
A similar House bill (H. R. 1762) was laid on the table.

#### DEFENSE DEPARTMENT **APPROPRIATIONS**

(Mr. FLOOD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I brought to the attention of the House the off-again, on-again, Finnegan defense policy of appropriations of the Defense Department. Now I understand the Defense Secretary, Mr. Wilson, not only wants 1356 million, in addition to what he told his House he wanted when we passed the defense appropriation bill, to make bombers the accelerated program, and now, today, I understand that we need additional fighters and that more funds will be asked for additional fighters. When the appropriation bill passed the House, I pointed out the fact that the presentation was not in proper form and that the cuts in the Army, the Navy, and the Marine Corps should not be made. The Defense Department yester-day and today asked for \$356 million more than the House gave them, and that would supply the full cut made in the Army, the Navy, and the Marine Corps and maintain these services until June 30, 1956, at the level of June 30, 1955.

Mr. Speaker, we have much more hear about the defense appropriation bill. Why, today, Adm. Roscoe F. Good, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for





#### Public Law 81 - 84th Congress Chapter 150 - 1st Session S. 998

#### AN ACT

All 69 Stat. 160.

To authorize the conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary Woodward, Okla. of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed Conveyance. to the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the following-described land situated in Woodward County, Oklahoma:

Beginning at a point 66.0 feet south and 283.0 feet west of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian meridian, and running thence south 273.0 feet, thence west 150.0 feet, thence north 273.0 feet, thence east 150.0 feet to the point of beginning, all lying in the northwest quarter of section 35, township 23 north, range 21 west, Indian meridian, and

including an area of 0.940 acre more or less.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall be made subject to (a) the condition that the city of Woodward, Oklahoma, pay into the Treasury of the United States, in return for the land conveyed, an amount equal to 50 per centum of the fair market value of such land to be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture after appraisal of such land, and (b) such other conditions, limitations, or reservations as the Secretary may deem necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

Approved June 16, 1955.

